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FDD Abstract of [REDACTED] A

REPORT ON TERRAIN OF VARIOUS BALTIC SEA BEACHES IN THE GDR (7 pp; German; [REDACTED])

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This document consists of photostats of four typewritten reports on the terrain of various Baltic Sea beaches in the German Democratic Republic.

The first report (A), consisting of one page, is dated 3 Sep 51. It is a report on the beaches at Ahrenshoop, Althagen, Nienhagen, and Wustrow, all on the Fischland peninsula. The texture of the sand and the general topography of the area are described, as well as the dunes and the roads and paths from these dunes to the villages. There is no railroad on Fischland. The width of the peninsula, at its widest point, is 6 kilometers.

The second report (B) consists of one page and is dated 28 Sep 51. It describes the beach near Parow. It gives the length of the beach to the north (6 kilometers), its width (15 meters), and its general texture and topography. Here, also, there are dunes and, in addition, three concrete roads leading to the former Parow airfield. These roads are in good condition but, except for them, there are no roads from the beach which can be used by vehicles.

The next report (C) is dated 1 Oct 51 and consists of two pages. It is in three sections and describes the beaches at Warnemuende-Stoltera, Nienhagen, and Heiligendamm. Each subdivision gives a description of the terrain of the beach and the road facilities at the point described, as well as the water depth and the nature of the dunes. It is noteworthy that the beach at Heiligendamm has no sand but consists entirely of stones, so that even heavy vehicles can be used on this beach.

The last report (D) consists of three pages and is dated 18 Sep 51. It is divided into two parts. The first part deals with the beach at Rerik. This report, as all the others, gives a general description of the beach, the dunes, and the roads. There is one new concrete road, leading to the Wustrow peninsula, which is used by the Red Army for military transports. Reportedly, maneuvers are to be held at Wustrow. Convoys of trucks (altogether about 40 trucks), manned by members of the People's Police (VOPO), have been sent to Wustrow by way of Kroepelin.

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The second part of report (D) contains descriptions of the beach and surrounding terrain at Neuhaus, Graal-Mueritz, Rosenort, and Margrafenheide. A report of transportation facilities at these places is also included; it is mentioned that there is no railroad connection to the coastal area.

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